GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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LINKING OF VILLAGES UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages having population of 500 or more connected to main roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the last two years, State-wise:

(b) whether any time limit and target has been fixed for connecting rural roads:

(c) if so, the details thereof: and

(d) the number of roads still remained unconnected, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a 100% Centrally Sponsored Scheme with the objective of providing connectivity by way of all-weather road to all unconnected habitations with a population of 500 persons and above in plain areas, and population of 250 persons and above in case of Hill, Desert and Tribal areas. Under PMGSY, habitation is the unit of connectivity. During the years 2005-06 and 2006-07, 8011 habitations having population of more than 500 have been connected. The State- wise details are given in Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): Rural Roads is a component of Bharat Nirman. Bharat Nirman is a sub-set of PMGSY. Under Bharat Nirman, a goal has been set to provide connectivity to all villages with a population of 1000 persons and above (500 persons and above in case of hilly or tribal area) with an all-weather road by 2009. Accordingly, 59,461 habitations are targeted to be covered under Bharat Nirman by 2009.

(d): State-wise status of habitation coverage under Bharat Nirman is shown in Annexure-II.